

## House Resolution No. 530

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives welcome each and every opportunity to recognize Outstanding Americans who have risen to the top echelon of leadership and performance in their chosen fields of endeavor; and

**Whereas**, Captain Sidney L. Clark, Jr., of the state of Virginia has attained distinction as a Boeing 767 pilot for USAirways and as the Regional Director of Flying (Chief Pilot) at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport; and

**Whereas**, a commercial pilot for more than twenty-seven years, Captain Sidney Clark is a Mississippi native who developed a love for aviation at an early age; and

**Whereas**, Sidney Clark obtained a private pilot license during his high school years before continuing his education at Swarthmore College in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy, and at the Hugh McCell School of Business at Queens University in Charlotte, North Carolina, where he earned a Master of Business Administration degree; and

**Whereas**, a cousin of the Honorable Betty Thompson, Missouri State Representative from the Seventy-second District, Captain Sidney Clark is the first African-American Chief Pilot for a major commercial carrier in an industry which utilizes the skills and knowledge of more than forty thousand pilots, of whom only about five hundred are African-American; and

**Whereas**, currently residing in Virginia in close proximity to Washington, D.C., Captain Sidney Clark supports many of the cultural events in that area, enjoys hunting and fishing, and serves his community as a sports coach, motivational speaker to various youth organizations, and member of several civic boards:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the impressive, groundbreaking career of Captain Sidney Clark as a pilot for USAirways and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of "Outstanding American" Captain Sidney L. Clark, Jr., of the great state of Virginia.

Offered by Speaker Catherine L. Hanaway  
District No. 87

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 530, adopted February 27, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker